IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO. 14 OF 2005

Shri Nitin Deshpande & Anr. ...Petitioners

V/s.

The State of Maharashtra & Ors. ...Respondents

Shri K.S. Dewal for Petitioners.

Shri P.M. Patil, Assistant Government Pleader, for Respondent Nos.1 and 2.

Shri R.S. Apte for Respondent Nos.3 and 4.

CORAM : H.S. BEDI, C.J., &
V.M. KANADE, J.

DATED : NOVEMBER 16, 2006.

P.C. :-

1. Heard the learned Counsel for the parties.

2. It has been pointed out that the matter with regard to conversion of areas covered by the lakes into residential plots is pending before the State Government. We find that certain basic issues have been raised by the petitioner which clearly need to be redressed but as the matter is pending before the State Government, we direct that a decision be

taken thereon within two months from today. If a decision is taken to convert any of the lakes into residential plots, the said decision shall not be given effect to for a period of two months from that day. We also direct that the interim orders granted in the present petition shall continue to operate till a decision is taken by the State Government.

. Writ petition is accordingly disposed of.

CHIEF JUSTICE

V.M. KANADE, J.